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Maritime Advisory Board

April 16, 2013

The Maritime Advisory Board (MAB) of the City of Annapolis held its regular meeting on April 16, 2013 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center. **Vice Chair** Buchheister called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Present: **Vice Chair** Buchheister, Franke, Outtrim, Allan, Gosselin, Fegley, Woodward

Absent: **Chair** Lomax-Excused, Pettingil-Excused, Hood

Staff: Walters-Harbormaster

II. MARCH 19, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Gosselin moved approval of the March 19, 2013 meeting minutes as amended. Mr. Franke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0.

III. REGULAR/OLD BUSINESS:

A. City Dock Master Plan Legislation (Additions to Report)

Vice Chair Buchheister informed that Board that the Planning Commission (PC) plans to continue its deliberations on the City Dock Master Plan at its May 4, 2013 meeting for anyone interested in attending. Ms. Gosselin reminded members that the PC is no longer accepting public testimony.

B. Stanley Normal Lease Update

Mr. Walters reported that both parties signed the Stanley Norman lease agreement that included a retroactive year. He noted that the property owners paid for two years in advance.

C. Former Fawcett's Property – Dock Management Lease Update

Mr. Walters reported that the City Attorney presented a new draft month-to-month agreement to the property owners for the dock management.

D. Blue Angels – Exclusion Zone for Commercial Vessels/Sequester

Ms. Gosselin thanked the Board for their help in getting the exclusion zone despite the Blue Angels not doing its demonstration this year.

E. Vessel Excise Tax Cap Status

Vice Chair Buchheister noted that Senator Astle and Ron George were two sponsors of the Vessel Excise Tax Cap. He explained that this was the first year the legislation was presented in full and the Maryland Trade Center did an outstanding job with getting the tax cap of \$15,000 passed.

F. Ward 1 Alderman Vacancy

Alderman Israel stepped down from his Ward 1 Councilmember seat due to moving out of the City and health issues. He noted that a very qualified individual is being considered for the Ward 1 seat and the Council will vote to fill the seat on April 30, 2013.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

AEDC Meeting

Chair Lomax, **Vice Chair** Buccheister, and Ms. Gosselin met with AEDC on specific items such as the Maritime Exclusion Zone, Maritime zoning, and Maintenance of Infrastructure, etc.

Trophy

Mr. Allan and Ms. Ambrose met with Alderman Arnett regarding the Annapolis Trophy. Alderman Arnett has put up the funding for the trophy. There was a discussion regarding continuity and Alderman Arnett agreed to put the trophy costs in as a line item in the budget so that it remains active. Ms. Ambrose provided a budget and dates to Alderman Arnett. There were keeper trophies that Ms. Ambrose will be using in the mean time. Alderman Arnett is supportive of this issue.

Scheduling Conflict

Mr. Allan also discussed the scheduling and the issues of closing the harbor. Alderman Arnett agreed to work on this issue as well. He believes that there is another person who would be assigned this responsibility other than Ms. LeFlurge. Members were encouraged to comment on the docket. The Board agreed to prepare an "FYI" letter notifying of the scheduling conflict and the possible closing of the harbor.

Upper Ego Project

Ms. Gosslein noted that the City has in the budget a project for Upper Ego Alley and requested that Mr. Walters keep the Board abreast of the project status. The intent is to make the public aware of any road closure and city dock issues. Mr. Walters noted that the funding for this project becomes available on July 1, 2013 at that time the City will post the request for proposal. The project in 2008 was 1100 linear feet from Naval Academy gate, the current project is 700 linear feet from Harbormaster to Fawcett property. The grant funding regulations are specific that it goes to boating infrastructure, bulkhead, slips, etc.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Woodward reported that Don Backe passed away and suggested recognizing his contributions to the City in a letter. The Board was very amenable to the suggestion.

Mr. Allan suggested inviting the Alderman of Ward 1 to a meeting once the selection is made. Mr. Fegley invited the Board to tour his new office space at their convenience.

V. DEFERRED MATTERS:

- A.** Special Tax Districts
- B.** Committee Assignments
- C.** Year-end Report

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.

With there being no further business, Mr. Franke moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Ms. Gosselin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.